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PROMOTION OF AGRICULTURE IN BIHAR
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to formulate any concrete scheme to promote agriculture in Bihar during the Tenth Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the amount likely to be spent in Bihar during the said plan-period, year-wise; and

(c) the increase in agricultural production likely to be achieved in the above State as a result thereof, year-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): The major Schemes under implementation to boost the agricultural production in BiharState by the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation are,

1. Macro Management in Agriculture

2. On-farm water management

3. Oilseeds production programme

4. National pulses development programme

5. Accelerated maize development programme
6. Establishment of Agri-clinics

7 Construction of Rural Godowns.

Under the Macro Management Scheme State Governments have been given enoughflexibility to prepare their work plan with regard to their region/area/crop specific interventions for increasing the agricultural production and productivity of the crops.

(b) & (c): An amount of Rs. 67 crores has been allocated for Bihar State during the year2002-03 under various Centrally Sponsored Schemes. State-wise allocations of funds as well as production targets are finalized on year to year basis during the Plan period.